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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination. In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 27, 2006, the period of response for which has been extended to run through February 28, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.